



Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Centre Opening Ceremony

The Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Centre of the University Research Facility in Behavioral and Systems Neuroscience (UBSN) is the first research-dedicated MRI Laboratory in Hong Kong. Besides the MRI facility, UBSN also hosts other state-of-the-art equipment that enables researchers to conduct cutting-edge and impactful neuroscience research.

The MRI Centre Opening Ceremony was held on 27 May 2022. Officiating guests of the ceremony included Prof. Wing-tak WONG (Deputy President and Provost), Prof. Christopher CHAO (Vice President (Research and Innovation)), and Prof. David SHUM (Dean of Faculty of Health and Social Sciences). The ceremony was followed by a tour to the new laboratories of UBSN, and then a distinguished lecture by Prof. Tor WAGER (Diana L. Taylor Distinguished Professor in Neuroscience at Dartmouth College).

More information about the MRI Centre Opening Ceremony can be found on our website:

<https://www.polyu.edu.hk/ubsn/news-and-events/news/mri-centre-opening-ceremony-testing>

Opening Ceremony
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MRI Centre
 Opening Video



Congratulatory messages:

I am very pleased and grateful to PolyU for supporting investment in an MRI facility for use by researchers across our University and beyond. With the new MRI scanner and other sophisticated tools in UBSN at our disposal, I hope we will all take the opportunity to make extensive use of them. – **Prof. David SHUM (Chair Professor of Neuropsychology, Dean of FHSS)**

The new MRI Centre provides lots of help for our research in the Department of Biomedical Engineering. Thanks very much. – **Ir Prof. Ming ZHANG (Chair Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Head of BME)**

With the establishment of the UBSN at PolyU, we now have an indispensable MRI facility to investigate what actually takes place in our brains, whether solving mathematical equations or learning foreign languages and cultures. This puts our campus in a very exciting position to do leading-edge research on what it means to be human. Hearty congratulations! – **Prof. William S-Y. WANG (Chair Professor of Language and Cognitive Sciences, Department of Chinese and Bilingual Studies)**

I'm extremely pleased to offer my congratulations to The Hong Kong Polytechnic University for celebrating its 85th anniversary but especially for creating its new MRI Centre as part of the University's behavioural and systems neuroscience initiative. I am sure your Centre will be very successful under the leadership of Prof. Ping Li and Prof. Marco Pang. I wish you the best as your facility becomes operational. Good luck, and congratulations again. – **Prof. Richard N. ASLIN (Professor, Yale University)**

The challenge of setting up such a centre is enormous. But I'm sure that your Centre will be very successful under the leadership of Prof. Ping Li and Prof. Marco Pang. I offer my warmest congratulations for the new MRI Centre within the behavioural and systems neuroscience initiative of your University. – **Prof. Peter HAGOORT (Professor, Director of Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics)**

How To Start Your MRI Project At UBSN:

Step 1: Submit an MRI Project Application to UBSN

Principal investigator (PI) must submit a project application and obtain approval from the UBSN before using the human MRI laboratory. The project application should be sent to the UBSN at celia.dong@polyu.edu.hk (Dr. Celia Dong, Scientific Officer) for processing. All project applications will go through a standard review process, which will normally take two to four weeks.

Please refer to our website for details of the MRI project application:

<https://www.polyu.edu.hk/ubsn/facilities/mri/getting-started/>



Step 2: Attend the MRI Training and Obtain the MRI User Credential

Upon approval of the project, email notification will be sent to the PI. UBSN will then arrange the MRI user training for the research group. The training will be held monthly, and the details can be found at:

<https://www.polyu.edu.hk/ubsn/facilities/mri/training/>



Step 3: Book the MRI facility in the URFMS System

Once the users obtain the MRI user credential, they are eligible to book the MRI facility in the URFMS system. Before making any booking, users should follow the registration procedure of the URFMS system and specify the payment source of the MRI project.

Link of URFMS system: <https://urfms.polyu.edu.hk/facilities/>



Interested in using our equipment? Please contact us:

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